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Mushrooms growing near the Billingsly Student Center appear larger than life in this wide-angle view.

College juggles options to solve funding dilemma

Reserve funds could provide up to \$200,000

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

When Missouri Southern President Julio Leon goes to the Board of Regents tomorrow, he will deliver some "options" that could affect students and College finances.

Among these is a possible surcharge for the spring semester.

Student Senate President Bryan Vowels, for one, said a surcharge should be a last resort.

"I've been looking at it and talking to others," he said. "I think it is a last choice. A surcharge is the last resort."

That scenario is unlikely, however. Yesterday, Leon told *The Chart* he would recommend to the Regents various options to meet the current funding woes, but stressed that a sur-

charge is not his first choice.

"The College has raised tuition rather substantially in the last two years," Leon said. "We are in a recession now, and to add to that further might have a heavy impact on the students. We would, of course, like to avoid that."

Some students do not see a \$1 or \$2 per credit hour surcharge as a major handicap.

"It won't have a big impact on me," Josh Compton, junior business major, said. "It shouldn't be that big of a deal. Missouri Southern is relatively inexpensive."

Other options Leon will present to the Board are cuts to the spring and summer class schedules, reducing expenditures, and the use of the carry-over balance from the previous year.

"We are going to present many different options which are available," he said. "The idea is to find such a combination that will not increase fees and would lessen the impact on the library."

Last week, Charles Kemp, head librarian, said Spiva Library could lose 40 percent of its book and peri-

odical budget.

One of the options, the carry-over balance, could be tapped for up to \$200,000, Leon said.

"This has always been an option," he said. "As we looked at the figures and saw the impact on the students and the library, it came under more consideration."

Leon said the fund is an emergency reserve carried over at the end of each year. He said the fund balance ideally should equal one month's worth of College salary expenses.

"This exists for a couple of reasons," he said. "First, for emergencies which may arise, and second, to ease the cash flow problems any large business encounters."

Although Leon said the fund has been less than the one-month figure due to the financial problems the College has faced, the need is great enough to justify its use.

"If you do it on a regular basis, certainly you will be on dangerous ground," Leon said. "We could still draw on some of it without getting to that point."

Growth spurt may be over Enrollment sees decline of one

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After a seven-year climb to record enrollment, the number of students at Missouri Southern has leveled off.

According to official figures, the 1991 fall enrollment is down by one student from last year, with 6,011 enrolled in courses for credit.

An additional 255 students are taking non-credit courses for a total enrollment of 6,266.

College President Julio Leon is not bothered by the lack of growth.

"I think we've just reached the limit—at least for a while," he said. "There is no question that we are strained because of the rapid growth we have experienced over the past several years."

Southern's growing pains, he said,

now may have the opportunity to be somewhat relieved.

"We take this as a positive development in this regard because it gives us just a little bit of breathing room," Leon said. "In the past two or three years we have had to allocate additional resources to meet the needs of the growing student body, but this year it should remain about the same."

The lull is not exclusive to Southern, but is a nationwide phenomenon. According to Leon, recent demographic studies have forecast decreased college enrollment, as fewer students are graduating from high school.

"From a philosophical standpoint, one is always glad to see enrollment increase as a sign of progress," he said. "But according to the demographics, I suppose we shouldn't expect to be increasing."

Future prognosis appears to be more of the same. Leon said the College might take this opportunity to begin whittling down its enrollment even further.

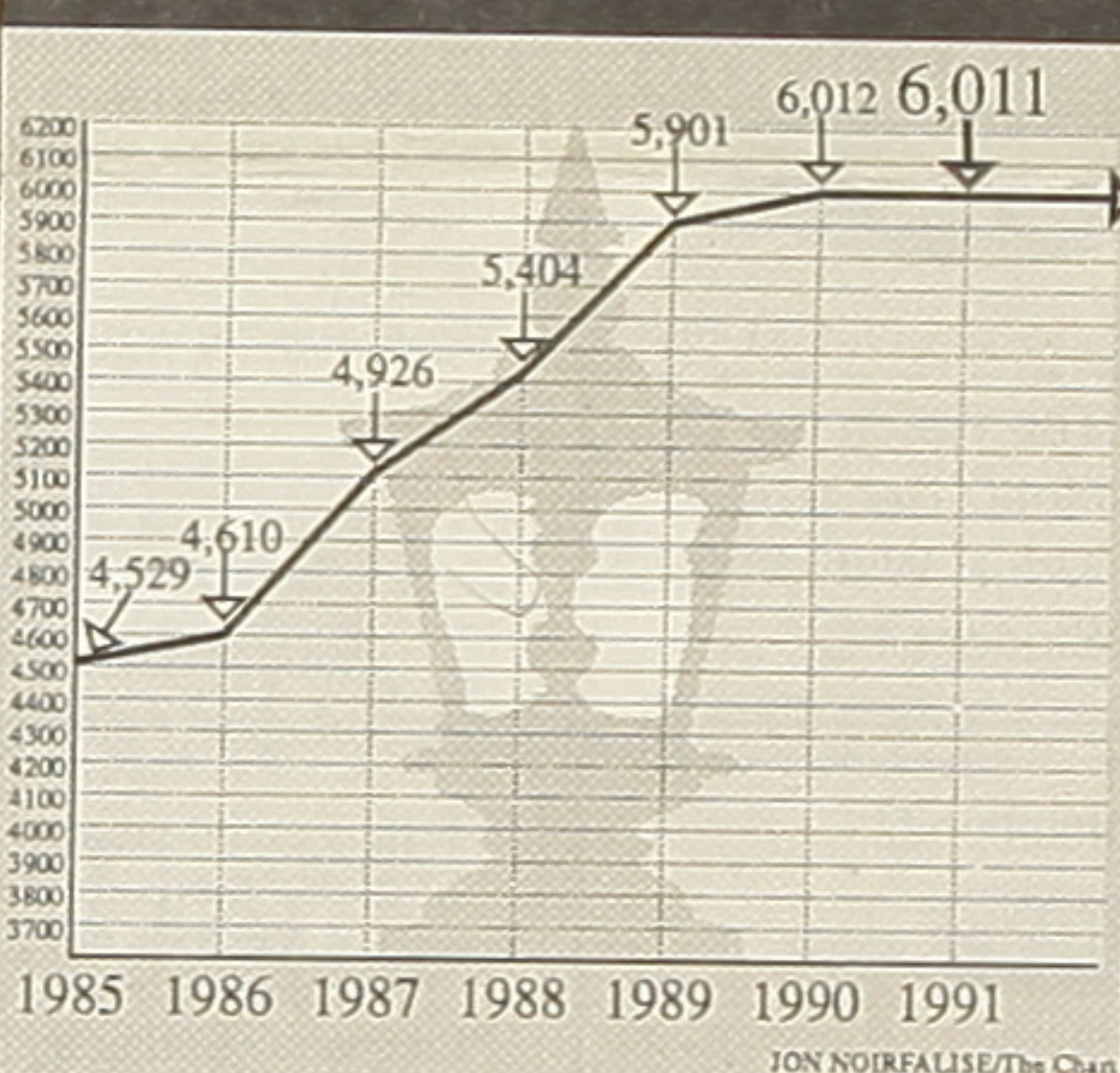
"I think we're going to start some discussion on campus very soon about the College becoming smaller by design," he said. "We just don't have the adequate funding to keep up with 6,000 students. The state has not kept up with our growth."

"I believe we are running a campus of 6,000 on a budget that is appropriate for 4,500, and there are no good prospects that the state will provide additional funding."

Even if Proposition B, the education tax package, is successful, the increased funding would be programmatic, Leon said. These factors may push the College to attempt to hold its enrollment down, leaving it "smaller but also better."

In doing so, possible options include raising admission standards.

FALL ENROLLMENT



Arena still in design dimension

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Construction of a multi-purpose building at Missouri Southern is at least two to three years away, according to College President Julio Leon.

"Right now, it is in the developmental stage," Leon said. "An overall steering committee has been formed to investigate the possibility of having a multi-purpose building on our campus."

Leon said the \$20 million facility would seat between 8,000 and 9,000 people. The building would be available for sporting events as well as commencement and other campus activities.

Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, said such a facility would benefit his department by providing a place for team practices and a marquee for indoor athletics.

"We have 281 student-athletes in 14 sports, and during the month of February all of them are trying to find practice space," he said. "Beyond that, it would add an air of sophistication to our program."

"I think it would help Coach [Scott] Ballard and Coach [Robert] Corn with their recruiting. But it's not an issue with them."

However, Leon said the building also could host concerts and events which would interest more than just Southern students.

"The way this is being approached is as a regional need, not just as a College need," he said.

Leon said the committee still was working on a building design.

"As soon as there is a schematic design, the finance committee will begin working on the funding aspect," he said. "Obviously, the finance committee will want to look at all avenues, private sources, state funds, and monies Southern makes available."

Neither Leon nor Frazier foresaw the facility as a revenue source.

"We are in the business of education, the business of providing opportunities," Frazier said. "We are not in the business of making money."

Leon said he hoped the building would be self-sufficient.

"I think these facilities, if well managed, are successful enough to maintain themselves," he said. "I just do not see it as a source of revenue for the College."

"Even if Proposition B is successful, it is to address fundamental educational needs. To me, maintenance of a multi-purpose arena does not fall under that."

Campus crime showing slight increase this fall

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Since the beginning of the school year, several people on Missouri Southern's campus have been the victim of thieves.

According to Bill Boyer, chief of campus security, it's not unusual to have more thefts and other crimes at

the beginning of the academic year.

"Generally speaking, we have a rash of thefts at the beginning of school," he said. "There's no explanation for it. It's kind of like a party that finally settles down."

According to Boyer, the problem is not much worse this year than it has been in the past.

"As I recall, it's running pretty

much the same," he said. "It might be an incident or two higher, but the only reason I say that is because crime in America generally is going up every year."

Among the incidents reported to Southern security is the Sept. 9 theft of \$200 from a student's vehicle near Hearn Hall. According to a security report, the student left his car

unlocked and the money in the glove compartment.

Money, however, is not the only thing taken from cars on campus.

"Car stereos seem to be one of the most popular items taken," Boyer said. "We're not sure if they're for personal use or being easily fenced, but we had an incident last year where a stereo was taken from a car

and we found it in another student's car. The victim was able to identify it."

Many of these thefts could be avoided, Boyer said, if students took some simple precautions.

"The main thing for items in the

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5 committees working to secure bill's passage

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Editor's note: This is the fourth in a series of stories on Proposition B, leading up to the Nov. 5 election. Next week's story looks at efforts at colleges around Missouri in support of the education reform measure.]

Campus committees formed in attempts to rally students and faculty to the Proposition B cause are right on target, according to chairpersons.

Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president and campus coordinator for Proposition B, said five committees are now functioning in efforts to inform the College population about the \$385 million education package. Proposition B is scheduled to go before Missouri voters Nov. 5.

Each of the five committees is headed by faculty and staff members. Chairpersons are Dr. Glenn Dolence, student registration; Don Heneker, employee information; Owen Hunt, public information; Warren Turner, volunteer recruitment; and Tom Simpson, frequent

Proposition B

voter list.

According to Tiede, the committees' efforts are on schedule and proceeding smoothly.

"We try to meet on a weekly basis," he said. "Already this week, we have seen some tremendous movement. Dr. Dolence's committee has already scheduled sessions for area county clerks' offices to register students here on campus."

According to Tiede and Dolence, Jasper County officials will be at Southern Sept. 25-26 to register students.

"Our goal is to get 75 percent registered," Dolence said. "I think that is a realistic goal if we play it right."

Dolence said a random survey conducted earlier this year by Bryan

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OUT FOR FOUR WEEKS



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Senior soccer player Kevin Hooks grimaces after tearing ligaments in his right ankle in Tuesday's match against Kansas Newman College. Hooks will be sidelined for four weeks. See related story, page 9.

Senate gets Leon briefing

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Enrollment caps and higher admission standards could become a reality here, College President Julio Leon told the Faculty Senate on Monday.

"I truly believe it is time for us to think about becoming smaller," he said. "We just do not have the finances to afford 6,000 students."

"We are, in essence, operating a campus with a budget that would be more appropriate for a campus of 4,500."

Leon said one solution would be to modify admission requirements to include a core curriculum at the high school level, as well as a higher ACT standard.

"I think the time has come for us to become a more demanding institution," he said, "especially of incoming students."

Currently, Missouri Southern requires incoming students to rank in the top two-thirds of their graduating class and score at least 17 on the ACT.

Leon said national studies show nearly one-third of high school graduates do not go to college, making Southern nearly an open-admissions institution.

In other business, Leon updated the Senate on Proposition B's chances of success.

"The outlook is not good," he said. "The economy is not coming out of the recession, and people are not so willing to vote for a tax increase."

"Hopefully, by Nov. 5 the economy will be better and people will start to feel better about Prop B."

Leon said if the measure fails, it might be 1994 or 1995 before it could be brought up again.

A CHANGE OF SEASONS



Debra Triplett, junior education major, brought out her umbrella yesterday as it drizzled off and on. Temperatures plunged to 45 degrees early this morning, signaling the arrival of a new season.

CHRIS COX/The Chart

Southern does not release some directory information

International students' places of birth are confidential

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

While most state colleges and universities make information on international students available, Missouri Southern does not.

Many colleges act as an intermediary between international students and those requesting information about them.

Jan Swann, coordinator of international student services at Missouri Southern State University, said SMSU works with the press by arranging interviews with international students.

"Mrs. Allman is our designated expert on those legalities...I am going to defer to her opinion."

—Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs

"When reporters want to interview specific students from specific countries, they don't know the name," Swann said. "Directory information doesn't come into play since they don't know a name to tell you to look up."

"I know which ones are from which countries, and so I get the request and have some of my student staff call those students and say 'Would you like to be interviewed?' If so, they give them the reporter's name and phone number and call them back."

Other campuses also work with the media in order to release information about international students.

"I usually ask them (the students)

and see if they want to talk to the reporters," said Steve Potter, counselor and international student adviser at Missouri Western. "If they do, I will either call the person back, or give the student the number so they can call the reporter back."

Central Missouri State University has a formal speakers bureau of international students. According to Dr. Joy Stevenson, international student adviser at CMSU, if there is not a student available from a specific foreign country in the existing bureau, she contacts another student not listed as a regular speaker to see if he or she would be interested in speaking to either the group or the

Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs at SMSU, said he was unaware of any law which would prohibit release of that information.

"Mrs. Allman is our designated expert on those legalities," Brown says to us that "Yes, in fact, I am strained by law in releasing information about international students," then I am going to defer to her opinion."

Allman refused to elaborate on any specific immigration law.

According to the 1991-93 catalog, "The College may personally identifiable information from an educational record of a student without consent in the following situations: name, address, listing, date and place of birth, major, participation in activities, sports, dates of attendance, and awards received and most previous institution attended."

Brown said Southern would release this directory information if there is a specific student involved.

"What the institution will do," he said, "is sort through the roster of students to pull out a select category of students we can, in effect, make a directory of a select group of students."

However, such a list already exists on campus. The list, used in Dr. Allman's Intercultural Communication class, gives the names, addresses, phone numbers of students and faculty members with an international background.

But, according to Brown, that list is considered confidential.

"It is released by a need basis," Brown said. "Access is given with a valid educational need to know."

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Senate moves up elections

442 students vote

by KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Yesterday's Student Senate general elections experienced a low turnout, with only 442 votes cast.

Election ballots had not been mailed at press time.

The turnout was not surprising to Doug Carnahan, Senate adviser.

"The election went about the same as it always goes," Carnahan said. "We never have a good turnout for Student Senate elections."

Bryan Vowels, Senate president, did not find the response disappointing under the circumstances.

"I think it went pretty well. We were going to hold it outside in the center circle, but the weather put us in the stairwell of the Billingsly Student Center," Vowels said. "And we only had one day of voting instead

of the regular two."

Originally, Senate elections were scheduled to be held Sept. 25-26. They were pushed forward one week after Chris Phillips, student affairs secretary, discovered what Carnahan calls "an oversight" while typing a revised version of the Senate constitution.

The Senate constitution decrees that general elections of senators be held on the third Wednesday of September.

"As to blame somebody, I don't know who to blame—whether myself, or Bryan, or the secretary," Carnahan said. "I'm not out to blame anyone."

Vowels said the mixup in dates was "just one of those things overlooked." He does not think this will affect the regular business of the Senate. In fact, he said, it will move all meetings up one week.

The Senate's first business meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 2. Newly elected senators will meet

Sept. 25 for an orientation picnic.

"We can conduct business at the picnic depending on how important it is," Vowels said.

As of now, he said the Senate does not have any pressing business waiting for its first meeting. Although some campus organizations have picked up appropriation forms, they have yet to return them.

At its first meeting, the Senate also will ratify the constitution of a new campus organization, Rotaract, a youth division of the Rotary International club.

While the group's first business meeting will not take place until the seventh week of the semester, Carnahan said this should have little effect on campus organizations. Most allocations of funds, he said, occur during the spring semester.

Even so, Carnahan believes the Senate will consider moving the general elections up to the third week of classes.

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Vowels, Student Senate president, indicated that 50 percent of the College's 6,011 students already are registered to vote.

"If the numbers are correct, that's good," he said. "Now we need to get 5 to 30 percent more on the [voter registration] rolls and hope they exercise their constitutional right to vote."

Vowels thinks the goal is realistic. "Part of those 50 percent not registered have not had a chance," Vowels said. "If the people are here in campus to register the students, and the lines are short, and the process is easy, there should be a good turnout."

Dolence's committee will attempt to schedule the registration in as many areas of the campus as possible in order to make it convenient for the students.

Targeting those who are both registered to vote and likely to support Proposition B is the responsibility of all the committees, but the process begins with the frequent voter list committee, according to Tiede.

Tom Simpson's group identifies those voters in the area who have voted regularly in the past," he said. With that information we can better concentrate our efforts."

Frequent voters are considered as those who have voted in two of the last three general or special elections. Simpson said his committee's work

is mundane but useful.

"The county clerk's offices keep records of every one who has voted, and we compare the list of eligibles (voters) with the actual lists voters sign when they go to the polls," he said. "It's pretty tedious work, but we can determine who is most likely to be at the polls and target our mailings and phone calls."

"People appreciate personal contact about an issue. That could make a difference in the outcome."

Once Simpson compiles his information, the rest is up to the other committees.

"Basically, we just exist for data collection," he said. "We collect the information and then turn it over to Dr. Tiede for dispersal to the various groups."

One committee which finds this information invaluable is Seneker's on employee information.

"We look over the variety of material furnished to us containing information and determine what is appropriate to send to employees," Seneker said. "We will have a mailing of some sort as it gets closer to election time."

He said the mailings would reach the most people through "passing along."

"When the information reaches the home, perhaps the spouse will see it and so on," he said. "It would give the material wider exposure."

According to Seneker, informa-

tional campaigns targeted at College employees will be purely informational in nature and will be limited.

"So long as we don't try to convince them to vote a certain way, we will keep the employees informed about Prop B," he said. "Some campuses have come out with posters picturing faculty saying they support B, but we won't be doing anything like that here."

"We feel that on a college campus it might be better if a decision is based on facts rather than a name."

In addition to mailings, the group will include notes in employees' paycheck envelopes reminding them to register and vote.

While Seneker's committee handles the employee side of information, the public information committee chaired by Hunt will concentrate on the media.

"We will coordinate our efforts with Missourians for Quality Education by issuing press releases to radio, television, and newspapers," Hunt said. "It is then up to them to decide if they want to run it or not."

The volunteers committee, chaired by Turner, serves every committee. Turner's group helps organize voter registration and provide manpower for the others.

"Right now, we're basically working to get everyone registered to vote," Turner said. "We're trying to get both students and organizations involved."

GETTING TO THE ROOT OF IT



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Missouri Attorney General William Webster (right) chaired a meeting of the Governor's Crime Commission Tuesday in Matthews Hall. The panel heard testimony from area law enforcement officials.

Crime Commission meets here

JPD program impresses Webster

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Crime prevention in southwest Missouri was in the spotlight Tuesday, when the Governor's Crime Commission brought its hearings to Missouri Southern.

The commission, chaired by state Attorney General William Webster, heard testimony from area law enforcement officials regarding programs, concerns, and successes in the area of crime prevention.

Sentinel, a Joplin police department program which utilizes civilian volunteers to handle non-law enforcement calls, received special attention.

"This is the first we have heard about this," Webster told Lt. Dale Owen, testifying for the Joplin police department. "This is very, very impressive."

According to Owen, Sentinel frees officers for more serious calls.

Jack Spurlin, director of South-

ern's criminal justice program, testified before the commission on the need for increased training for officers in Missouri.

"When Missouri passed the mandatory training bill in 1978-79, we were filled with glee," he said. "But actually, this bill signaled the death knell for training."

"We went from 400 hours of training in our program to 120 hours, and this gave us virtually no time to cover some of the practical applications."

Spurlin further testified that Missouri ranks at the bottom of the police training scale when compared to other states.

"I am embarrassed and ashamed when I go to conferences and hear people talk about how we rank dead last," he said.

Webster told Spurlin the commission recognizes the problem and is working to solve it.

"I think it is a pretty good investment to make in this type of train-

ing," he said. "Neglect in this area is something we cannot afford. Perhaps one result of these hearings will be to re-double our efforts for more training."

According to Webster, the commission hopes to see some tangible results from its efforts.

"The goal is to find out from local law enforcement officials what the problems are and what programs they have to address them," he said. "I've been very impressed so far."

"There has been some good news. For example, Joplin's Sentinel program. That is new to us, but if we can present that as a possibility, it is encouraging."

The commission has scheduled public meetings this fall throughout the state. The Joplin hearing was the 10th in the series, with future meetings slated for Rolla, Lebanon, Kansas City, St. Louis, and Jefferson City. The group previously has convened in Columbia, Sedalia, Maryville, St. Joseph, Poplar Bluff, Cape Girardeau, Hannibal, Kirksville, and Springfield.

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An idle Senate

One step forward and two steps back. The Student Senate announced last week the re-scheduling of elections to yesterday. The Senate was forced to move the date forward one week because its constitution requires elections on the third Wednesday in September.

Conforming with the letter of the law is admirable, but why had not someone involved with the Senate dusted off the constitution in time to save the trouble and embarrassment of the switch?

The missteps don't end there, either.

The group has slated Wednesday, Oct. 3 as the date for its first official meeting of the year. Should anything pressing come up, it will be handled at the Senate picnic on Sept. 25. We have a few problems with this.

First, the meeting date of Oct. 3 is seven weeks into the fall semester. Hardly a time to get started. Holding the first meeting nearly halfway through the semester forces groups to schedule events requiring Senate funds late in the semester or not at all.

Second, the Sept. 25 picnic is an orientation function for the newly elected senators, lacking the formality, credibility, and student access of regular meetings. The Senate has no business meeting and deciding on the use of students' money without convening an official session.

Vowels should provide the leadership necessary to change the constitution allowing the election of sophomore, junior, and senior senators in the spring. The Senate then could function as a viable body from the beginning of the year.

Help us out

We do need to know. Perhaps some of the administrators in the Hearn Hall ivory tower are content with secrecy concerning directory information. We are not.

A simple request for a list of students from foreign countries who could be contacted to write columns for our Global Viewpoint page was denied. Last year, a request for the names of a few non-traditional students to feature in the newspaper also was turned down. Why?

As members of the press, we deserve and are entitled to such access.

Ann Allman's refusal to release this information, readily available at other colleges, and Dr. Robert Brown's complicity in this prior restraint give us reason for pause and cause for worry.

Brown is unaware of the law Allman uses as justification, and she refuses to give specifics. Administration seems to be chasing its tail in this matter.

No campus newspaper can serve its readership if it is hamstrung by an administration unwilling to share certain information. We're not asking for much, just what other colleges already are providing.

Another newspaper also recently experienced Southern's unwillingness to cooperate in a request for the names of Russian students attending the College. It's time to open up, Southern.



Life in the Bible Belt a new experience

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A famous TV commercial says "You never get a second chance to make a first impression. As a new transfer student from the Kansas City area who has not spent much time in this part of Missouri, I'm getting my first impressions of Joplin and Missouri Southern.

The very first question I had driving into town on U.S. 71 was, "Where are the Ozarks?" This is supposed to be the gateway to the Ozarks, yet the highway coming into Joplin is fairly flat. Only two hills just outside Webb City were steep enough to slow my 1978 Bobcat, and it doesn't take much of a hill to do that.

My first impressions of Southern have been fairly positive so far. The people here have been really helpful. They see a lost, confused-looking student (me), and they are good about asking if I need help. One faculty member in particular, Dr. Michael Yates, associate professor of political science, spent more than half an hour Friday afternoon showing me how to wade through the sea of law books in Spiva Library.

I have to say, though, that I never have been to a school where some faculty members have bathtubs in the bathrooms in their offices. I don't know if they use them very often, but the communications and social science faculty in the mansion are pretty lucky.

I also like the vast area at the back of the campus. Being an avid Frisbee thrower, I see this big open space and think about setting a new distance record.



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But free time being as scarce as it is, I haven't had the chance to get the old disk out yet.

I'm also looking forward to seeing some sporting events this year. I came from a community college that had a mediocre men's baseball team and a pretty good women's volleyball team. It made for some pretty bare sports pages at the campus newspaper.

Here, students can see some of the best small-college sports in the country. Watching the football Lions play teams like Central Missouri State and Pittsburg State ought to be fun.

I hope to get an opportunity to try out the swimming pool soon, too.

My job as associate editor in charge of *The Chart's* city news page has put me in contact with numerous government, civic, and business leaders in the community. Joplin is a nice-sized city. It is big enough to have the services of a big metropolis and small enough to feel like a small town.

The fact that Joplin has 123 churches and four religious colleges serving 40,000 people convinces me that this city is in the running for the title of "Golden Buckle of the Bible Belt." The geographic location of that belt is not clearly defined, but it is generally thought to be an area of the South and Midwest. Some people might be offended by that impression, because saying that one lives in the Bible Belt is not always considered complimentary.

I really don't understand that. Sometimes it is inspiring to see an area of the country where religion is still a high priority in people's lives.

Churches dominate the television on Sunday mornings in Joplin. All three of the stations I can pick

up in my dorm room offer some church service between 11 a.m. and noon. And the city council in Joplin and Webb City begin their sessions with invocation. In some places that is the source of controversy, but not here.

Living in the Bible Belt is a very confusing experience. It's an area of the country where the church is more important to a person's reputation than if he or she is a nice person.

Before coming here, I always thought ministers and pastors of churches should be readily accessible to those who need assistance. However, I recently contacted the pastor of a local congregation for a story I was working on. He was away from Joplin, and I found his home phone number to be listed. Am I the only one who detects a contradiction there?

Whatever negatives I see in Joplin and the Bible Belt usually are balanced by something good. The opportunity recently to interview a family with very strong religious beliefs. There was little bickering and fighting among the five children in the family that sometimes occurs between siblings. The family had no television or radio in their home, considering the quality of programming on television and the music played on some radio stations. I really don't blame them.

The father in this family attributed the happiness in their lives to their strong commitment to religion. If their life is really as tranquil as it is in the two hours I was with them, there must be something to it.

The move to Joplin and Southern has opened up a whole new world for me to explore, and I plan to take advantage of as much of it as time will allow. Next two (or three or four) years are going to be interesting.

We cannot afford to be apathetic now

By KEVIN HOOKS
MEMBER, YOUNG DEMOCRATS

An insert in Sunday's *Joplin Globe* told about Angel Ragins, an extraordinary high school senior. Angel has received more than \$315,000 in scholarship offers to attend over 30 schools. She was president of her student council, she was president of the science club, she was editor of the literary magazine, she worked 30 hours a week at a fast-food restaurant, and she scored 1190 on her SATs. That is an incredible story about an incredible person. But we are not all Angel Ragins. College tuition for us mere mortals is very expensive. Something has to be done to combat rising tuition costs.



IN PERSPECTIVE

We should all be actively concerned about the impending tuition increases. If we do not do something about it now, the number of students who graduate from college will greatly decrease. Furthermore, our ability to compete in today's world will be severely reduced. Although it may seem bleak, there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

The light is shining through in the form of Proposition B. Proposition B is an effort to ease the individual's tuition burden. If passed it will raise \$385 million for the education budget. Of this money, \$190 million will be fairly divided among the state colleges and universities. The bottom line is that if the schools have more money allotted for operation costs the burden of the expenditures will not fall on the shoulders of the student.

Proposition B was designed to help us all. But it

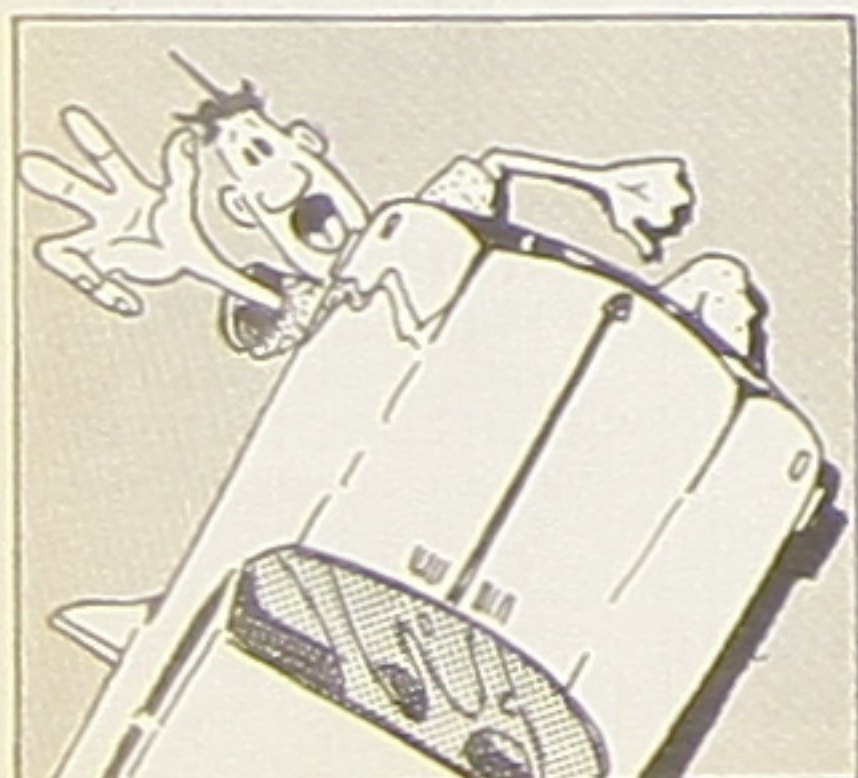
will not succeed without the help of the student generation. But we cannot be apathetic where our futures are concerned. We cannot be apathetic where Proposition B is concerned. Red, yellow, or white, we all worry about green and the thereof. Therefore, we must act together, and we must act now.

There will be a meeting at 7 p.m. on 11th Sept. 26 in Room 306 of the Billingsly Student Center to discuss Proposition B. Jerry Burch, a 12-year member of the state legislature, will be the keynote speaker. If you are not Angel Ragins and were not offered more than \$315,000 in scholarships, you are encouraged to attend.

We are constantly being told that the key to a good education, but many times the key is affordable. Proposition B is an effort to help us afford that key.

YOUR LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearn Hall 117 by noon Monday for that week's edition. All letters must be printed or typed, and signed. Letters of less than 300 words in length receive priority consideration.



College's serious parking problem has built upon my chest for 2 years

For the past two years, one of the College's problems has built upon my chest, and I can no longer keep my anger back. This college has a serious parking problem.

Students must arrive several hours before their class begins in order to find a parking place. What about students who work and can't get to class until 15 minutes before it begins? Then they end up parking in the gravel lot by the stadium and walking to their class in Matthews Hall or Ummel Technology Building and are late all the time, or they have to park illegally and get an additional charge for parking.

We already pay \$3 to park at Southern; why should we pay for the College's parking problems? If the College cannot accommodate the number of students, they should either not admit so many students, increase parking charges and build a new lot near Ummel Technology Building and Matthews Hall with the funds, or not charge us any fees.

Illegal parking should not be a necessity. The College has a problem, and it needs to solve it.

Another thing that bothers me is the fact that I see students speeding through campus between 40 and 50 miles per hour and never get ticketed.

This is dangerous. I have seen several near-misses on this campus. This is a serious problem, and the campus should spend more time worrying about lives and speeding than about students who have to park illegally. If there were an even number of parking places on either side of the campus, this problem would most likely be solved, but it is not.

And the final problem is the students themselves. Not all students are this way, but there are quite a few who are. You're waiting for a parking space with your blinker on, and while the parked car begins to leave, someone comes down the lot and pulls in before you do. What do they think your blinker's on for? Your health? These students need to be more considerate; do they want me to steal a spot from them? I cannot count on my hands the number of times this has happened to me. Is it just me?

If our students and our College can take responsibility for their problems, maybe parking would not be such a problem at Southern.

I just feel that we've already paid to park once; why should we have to pay again?

T. Rob Brown

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Regional Pacemaker Award (1982, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1990)

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Nuclear arms race still exists in pre-coup era

Soviets seek assurances about control of forces

Yevgeny Velikhov is vice president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences. He has served as an adviser to Mikhail Gorbachev from the beginning of perestroika. A top atomic scientist in the Soviet Union, Velikhov oversaw the handling of the nuclear emergency at Chernobyl and was an official sponsor of the political rehabilitation of Andrei Sakharov. He was interviewed Sept. 18 in Moscow by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

Last week, the new Soviet defense minister (Yevgeny I. Shaposhnikov) told the world that nuclear weapons were safely under control in the Soviet Union. But he also said that the country's top nuclear scientist, assured by his statements?

Velikhov: No. I was not assured. I don't think Western leaders and scientists were assured either. He can't explain what went wrong, what went right, what must remain secret, what must not, or what his proposal was for the future.

It's like Chernobyl. Before Chernobyl there was no public examination of the safety of nuclear power. The ministry of nuclear energy declared "We guarantee that our reactor is 100 percent safe. No problem." After that, nuclear catastrophe. That's why I have called for an examination of the stability of control of our nuclear weapons at three levels—the internal secret level, the public level of the Supreme Soviet, and the level of the international community. An investigation must provide enough information to assure all parties that nuclear weapons are sufficiently under control. There is no such information now.

What, then, do you propose?

Velikhov: I am proposing multiple discussions to provide real assurances about the stable control of nuclear forces. The first part of my proposal involves an internal audit of the command, control, and security of nuclear weapons in the Soviet Union. Naturally, this is difficult to discuss in detail with those who do not have security clearance. I have asked President Gorbachev to ask the Russian government to undertake this study. Gorbachev has said he has established this com-

mission together with the Russian republic and, to my understanding, it is already working.

We want to know not only exactly what happened during the days of the attempted coup, but what might happen in future moments of crisis. We need to know details.

The second part of my proposal involves discussions at the level of a committee of legislators, such as the Senate Armed Services Committee in the U.S., which would have access to selected classified information about our nuclear forces. There has never been any level of public examination of these matters in the Soviet Union. That should change. As Sen. Sam Nunn tells me, this is normal in the U.S. Congress.

The third level is to share the results of the state commission investigation with international scientists—to give them, to the extent possible, our estimate of the gravity of the situation and our proposals on how to solve our problems, both through our own means as well as through international means.

In the days just after the coup, the American nuclear scientist Edward Teller (the father of the hydrogen bomb) wrote to me saying, "The question of stability of control should be discussed inside the Soviet Union and the results should be made generally available. Strong and reasonable assurance of control can and should be found."

Only if we can assure such Western scientists, I am convinced, can we assure their governments.

Beyond this effort to assure other nuclear powers of our stability, we have to reevaluate the next step after START (the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty). START does not eliminate the danger of nuclear confrontation. The structure of forces and the targeting list remain the same. Only the number of weapons is a little smaller. The problem of first strike still exists. In short, the conditions that can drive the military to unstable decisions remain.

Now, not later, is also a good time to discuss the possibility of complete elimination of tactical nuclear weapons. This is very realistic at this moment. Why do we need them now? To what end? Deterrence relies upon strategic weapons, not tactical ones.

In discussions with our American

partners, we could never be assured that the tactical weapons (in Europe) were fully under the control of the center (United States). I cannot claim full knowledge, but my surmise is that Moscow could not provide such assurances to the West, either. So, this is a good time to destroy tactical nuclear warheads. Because of recent experiments conducted with American scientists near the Black Sea, it is now possible to verify destruction of warheads.

Another quite urgent question is how to end the production of fissionable material. This is possible now because of a Soviet achievement: For all intents and purposes we have ended nuclear testing. Together with the introduction of the American network of seismic stations on the territory of the Soviet Union (which is already established) there is full verification of testing.

Today, after the scare of the coup, I believe public opinion is ready not only for a comprehensive test ban; it is possible to achieve dramatic change. I believe that now it is possible for the radical reduction of strategic warheads to a small number. A few hundred single warheads for both sides can provide adequate deterrence.

Today, the Soviet Union has lost the claim as a superpower. That is why now I think both superpowers can realistically reduce the number of their nuclear weapons to the size of nuclear forces in France, Great Britain, and China.

Is it crazy in today's circumstance for all to have an equivalent number of weapons? What can be the reason now behind the large superpower nuclear arsenals?

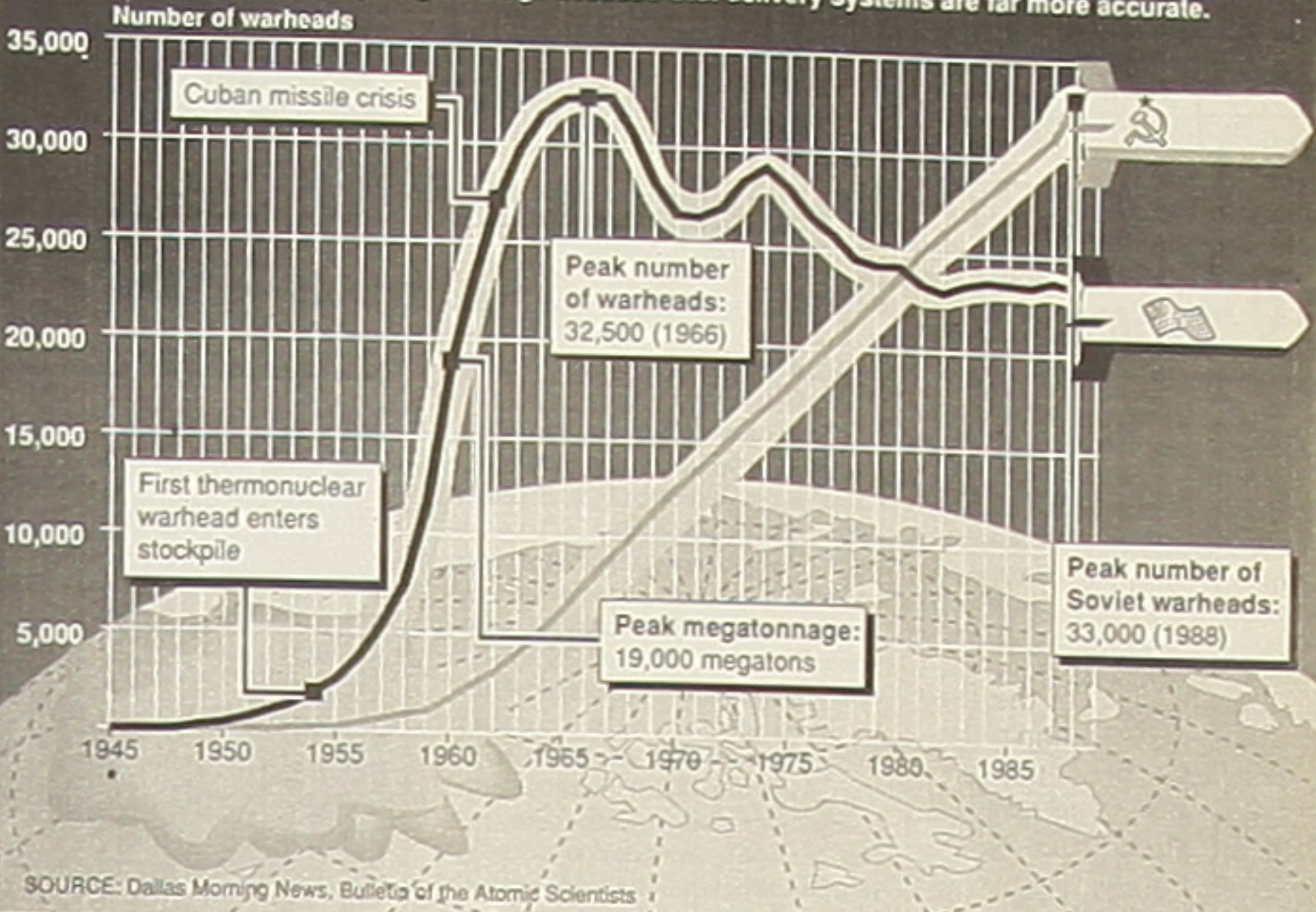
Finally, to stop the new threat of proliferation I think it is time to revive the old Bernard Baruch plan of 1946 to create an international agency that has all rights of oversight and control—from uranium mining to nuclear waste management, the full fuel cycle. Any transport, use, or treatment of uranium outside of this international agency should be illegal.

All these things are more possible in these days than before. If the opportunity to do these things is lost now, when it is possible, there is no guarantee that it will not be lost forever.

Now there is the question of the

The Cold War race for nuclear supremacy

U.S. and Soviet nuclear stockpiles were about equal in 1980. Since then, the U.S. arsenal has declined, while the Soviet stockpile kept growing. However, experts say the United States doesn't need numerical superiority or overwhelming megatonnage because U.S. delivery systems are far more accurate.



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role of the republics and nuclear weapons in the new union.

Velikhov: Today, the republics have no direct links to the nuclear weapons.

Then how could Russian Republic President Boris Yeltsin say he was going to bring back all of the nuclear weapons to Russian soil?

Velikhov: He must have said this in the euphoria of victory. It is a very delicate question for Russia because, you see, almost all of the nuclear industry is located in Russia. And it is very difficult to divide civil and military application of nuclear energy. We have never divided this in the fuel cycle.

Of course, we have different facilities to produce warheads. But uranium mining, processing, enrichment, and waste management are done together, mixing civil and military purposes. That's the structure. Because of the top secrecy of these matters before the coup, Yeltsin has no firsthand knowledge of how all this is organized. Only Gorbachev has this knowledge as commander-in-chief of the armed forces.

Now, with the important Russian decision to take sovereign control of its resources, you can see the problem. So what happens with nuclear weapons cannot be a decision of Yeltsin alone. It must be shared by

many people, including the international community. Among other things, the international community should take a very firm stand and demand that the republics sign the Non-Proliferation Treaty as a requirement for recognition of sovereignty, especially Russia. We need a very clear understanding, which we do not have today. What is the Russian nuclear stand?

In my view, it is wrong just to transfer the military superpower status of the Soviet Union to Russia. It is very dangerous for Russia to become some kind of super-republic.

If we allow the Russian Republic to take control of these weapons, we will face a much more difficult situation in a few years.

Also, as a Russian, I, like most Russian people, don't want any longer to be a nuclear target.

What are you looking for from the West?

Velikhov: At this moment, it is very important for us to see some positive effort from the West, an effort that goes beyond START and agrees to a reciprocal reduction of weapons. The West should oppose this move of weapons to Russia and instead seek a radical reduction agreement with the center.

When do you expect the commission report to come back, and

what happens then?

Velikhov: The new Supreme Soviet will meet again on Oct. 2. I hope the first order of business of the new committee on defense and national security will be to discuss with the state commission the report on control of nuclear weapons.

It will then be their critical task to meet the requirement of confidence of the U.S. and other Western powers on the question of nuclear stability. Otherwise, the arms race could start up again. If we don't satisfy the requirement of the international community, it may begin to look again at nuclear defenses and anti-ballistic missile defenses or some crazy thing.

The old parliamentary committee on defense and national security was dissolved at my initiative. Its members had included Anatoly Lukyanov, Mikhail A. Moiseyev, and others of the Central Committee and Defense Ministry who blocked real arms control progress.

Would you go so far as to agree to the internationalization not just of nuclear power, but of Soviet nuclear weapons?

Velikhov: That is more acceptable to us than to the West. But it is impossible to have Soviet nuclear weapons under national control. The West is not ready for this, yet.

EC seeks peaceful Croatia

THE ECONOMIST

In the early hours of Sept. 2, Yugoslavia's president, Stipe Mesic, emerged from the conference of Belgrade's vast and empty square of the Federation exasperated in need of a cigarette. The Serbs, said, were resisting the European community's most recent peace initiative. Inside, Hans van den Broek, Dutch foreign minister, also exasperated, told the Serb negotiator, "Take it or leave it...I'm off in half an hour."

Threatened by the Community economic sanctions and political isolation, the Serbs signed. They agreed at last to let foreign observers monitor a new ceasefire in Croatia. It extracted a concession: the ceasefire terms gave a role to the Serbs in Croatia. This done, the EC began to organize a peace conference to open in The Hague on Sept. 7.

The conference aims to find "arrangements to ensure peaceful accommodation of the conflicting aspirations of the Yugoslav peoples." Guidelines will be: no unilateral change of borders; protection of minority rights; and full account of "all legitimate concerns and aspirations."

To help in this ambitious task, the Community has enlisted Lord Carrington, a former British foreign secretary and NATO secretary-general, who chaired the 1980 peace negotiations on Zimbabwe. He will lead the support of five EC legal experts. The time limit for this arbitration is two months. From Yugoslavia are expected the eight members of the federal presidency, the prime minister, and the six presidents of the republics, making 15 in all. The plan was not announced. But



the 12 Europeans plus Lord Carrington, making 13, would permit a table at which only three Yugoslavs had to sit next to each other.

The conference will proceed only if the ceasefire has a semblance of credibility. Serb fighters in Croatia said they accepted the ceasefire, but as with past truces the shooting went on. On Sept. 4, an apparently three-cornered fight between Croats, Serbs, and units of the federal army cut the motorway between Yugoslavia's two main cities: Belgrade, the capital of Serbia; and Zagreb, the capital of Croatia.

Croatia's leaders said they were pleased with the EC's initiative. At the conference, they hope, their strongest European supporters, the Germans, may push recognizing their independence.

Optimists might argue that the killing will have sated the hot-heads on each side, pessimists that each death will now require vengeance. Many Croats are keen to recover lost territory, many Serbs eager to win more. How far the local politicians can control the forces they have unleashed is itself unclear.

Spokesmen for the Serbs in Croatia say that peace talks without them would not be legitimate—and they are not invited. "We can't force the Yugoslavs to make peace," one western diplomat said this week, "and we have no contingency plan if they won't."

Travel experience leaves student homesick

By MENDE RICHARDS

SOPHOMORE SPANISH ED. MAJOR

Salamanca, Spain is a wonderful place. I know this firsthand; I lived there for a month.

The city of Salamanca became an important city in Spain during the 12th century with the emergence of the University of Salamanca, now the second-oldest university in Spain. Salamanca is now a small university city with various summer study programs for foreign students. Thousands of students come to study during the months of June, July, and August.

I lived with a young family during the month of July in the summer of 1991. The people welcome these foreign students with helpfulness and a friendly environment. The people are also very understanding



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with the language barrier. I fell in love with the city of Salamanca and the people I came in contact with there.

The people were really the ones who made my stay wonderful. My

"Salamanca became my home, and my classmates and teachers became my best friends. I not only learned the language and the culture, but I became a part of the country. Spain has made itself a part of my life; I'm partly a Spanish girl now."

grammar teacher and discussion leader, Javier Sanchez, became a very close friend. My culture teacher and tour guide, Teresa Gonzalez Alonso (Teresita), called me her daughter and helped me with any and every problem. My "intercam-

bio" (language exchange) student, Daniel Dominguez (a stranger on the street who approached me about a language exchange) became my friend and "protector." All of these people are native of Salamanca.

The customs of the city are also intriguing, especially that of siesta. Actually, siesta is more a time sched-

ule than a time period, but in reality, it begins at 2 p.m., the lunch hour. Almost all businesses close at this time, and the people go home to eat. After the meal, the people take a nap or rest until 5 p.m., when the stores re-open. From 5 p.m.-10 p.m. is still

considered to be the afternoon to the Spanish. Supper is served sometime between 9 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. After supper, almost everyone (even young children) go out to a cafe, the plaza mayor, or to a bar, and they stay out until 2 a.m. or 3 a.m. Everyone is up and ready to start the day at 9 the next morning, and they only have to last until 2 in the afternoon, when siesta begins again.

I really did fall in love with Spain—the people, the culture, and the history. Salamanca became my home, and my classmates and teachers became my best friends. I not only learned the language and culture, but I became a part of the country.

Spain has made itself a part of my life; I'm partly a Spanish girl now. I learned to walk everywhere I wanted to go and to observe siesta. I learned to eat cookies or magdalenas for breakfast, chew hard bread, and have bread and fruit at every meal. I learned to appreciate Spanish music, art, and dance.

Subic Naval Base called 'Club Med' of Philippines

THE ECONOMIST

In the coffee shops of the Philippines, where much political business is conducted, an intriguing theory is being advanced to explain America's wish to hold on to its costly military bases. They may be needed, it is suggested, not to oppose a Communist threat, but to curb a future military expansion by Japan.

Absurd, perhaps, but plausible. A number of analysts wonder why the United States wants to keep the bases. The Cato Institute, a Washington think-tank which promotes isolationism, points out that even during the cold war the bases were not best placed to contain Soviet military power in Asia. (In the Vietnam War the Communists could not be bombed from the Philippines be-

cause the then president, Ferdinand Marcos, would not give permission.)

Clark Air Base is to be abandoned because the eruption from Mount Pinatubo has made it unusable. But retaining Subic Bay naval base and a number of small bases would cost the United States more than \$700 million a year, a dubious bargain even if they were needed, says the institute. The idea of Japan being the enemy of the future is "unworthy," it adds. If the Japanese believed that Subic were being retained to intimidate them, it might actually encourage them to become militaristic.

The real, though prosaic, reason why the Americans want to stay in the Philippines may be that they have had bases there for 90 years and feel disinclined to move. Subic is the army's most desired posting. Imagine Club Med, but with ham-

burgers and Coke.

The Americans also believe that the Philippine people want them to stay. They may be right. A Roman Catholic bishop, Teodoro Bacani, said on Sept. 2, "Only a minority among our people want the bases abruptly terminated."

However, at least 12 members of the Philippine Senate have said they will vote against extending the lease on the bases. The Senate has 23 members, and the support of at least 16 will be needed if the Americans are to stay. Some senators say that it is about time the Philippines become truly independent from the former colonial power.

Other senators believe they can screw even more money out of the Americans by going to the brink. The lease on the bases expired on Sept. 16.



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19 TODAY

Photos for the Crossroads will be taken from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and tomorrow in Room 306 of the BSC.

The Ecumenical Campus Ministry will meet from noon to 1:15 p.m. in BSC Room 311.

Nancy Disharoon will conduct a career planning seminar, "Tools of the Job Search," from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 314 of the BSC.

The Modern Communications Club will discuss summer internships from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in BSC Room 314.

Sgt. Carl Brown will receive an Army commendation medal at 2:50 p.m. in front of the Police Academy. Dean James Maupin will make the brief presentation.

The International Club will meet at 4 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

20 TOMORROW

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will gather from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. in Room 314 of the BSC.

There will be a CAB dance from 9 p.m. to midnight by the Biology Pond. In case of rain, the dance will be in the Lions' Den.

21 SATURDAY

The cross country Lions will host the Southern Stampede at 9 a.m. on the cross country course.

The Lady Lions' tennis team will play Drury College at 10:30 a.m. on Southern's courts.

The football Lions will play Central Missouri State University at 7 p.m. at Hughes Stadium.

The soccer Lions will play Avila College at 3:30 p.m. on Southern's soccer field.

22 SUNDAY

Kappa Alpha will meet from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Room 313 of the BSC.

23 MONDAY

Yearbook group photos will be taken from noon to 5 p.m. by Room 312 of the BSC.

The Social Science Club will hold a meeting at 2:30 p.m. in the House of Lords Room in the BSC.

The Biology Club will meet from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Biology Pond for a potluck snack.

24 TUESDAY

The Baptist Student Union will meet from 11 a.m. to noon in Room 311 of the BSC.

LDSSA will meet at noon in Room 313 of the BSC.

Nancy Disharoon will lead a career planning seminar, "Successful Interviewing," from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 314 of the BSC.

The Rodeo Club will meet from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

25 WEDNESDAY

Those participating in Homecoming parade units, cars, floats, and campus displays must be registered by 4:30 p.m. today in Room 102 of the BSC.

Yearbook group photos will be taken from noon to 5 p.m. by Room 312 of the BSC.

CAB will hold a meeting from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Room 310 of the BSC.

Culture is club's interest

By LYLA DOVER
STAFF WRITER

Long-time dreams will come true tonight for Dr. Vernon Peterson, associate professor of Spanish.

The Sociedad Hispano-Norteamericano Proeducacion will hold its first meeting at 7 p.m. today in Room 206 of Matthews Hall.

"This has been a dream of mine for over a decade—to provide a college community to bring together people with an interest in Spanish or Hispanic culture," Peterson said.

The organization is designed to help promote high values of the Hispanic culture. Peterson said he hopes it will serve several functions.

"I see this as a chance to expand community vision and awareness of the Spanish and North American cultures, values, language, and lifestyle," he said.

The club tentatively will meet the third Thursday of each month. A permanent meeting place has not yet been determined.

Meetings will begin with members breaking off in pairs or small groups. The groups will spend 20-30 minutes engaged in dialogue. The conversation sessions will be divided into English and Spanish exchanges.

Peterson said the dialogues will provide interested persons with one-on-one opportunities to practice another language.

The meetings also will include guests such as lecturers, musicians, teachers, government officials, and other key people to speak in Spanish on Hispanic concerns.

Other upcoming events include cross-cultural activities and conferences where both English and Spanish are spoken for the benefit of English as a Second Language (ESL) students.

"The club will award an annual scholarship to promote interest in language, literature, and culture," Peterson said.

Monthly dues of \$1 will be collected at each meeting. These dues, along with money raised by club-sponsored activities and fund-raisers, will be placed into a scholarship fund. A scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in Spanish.

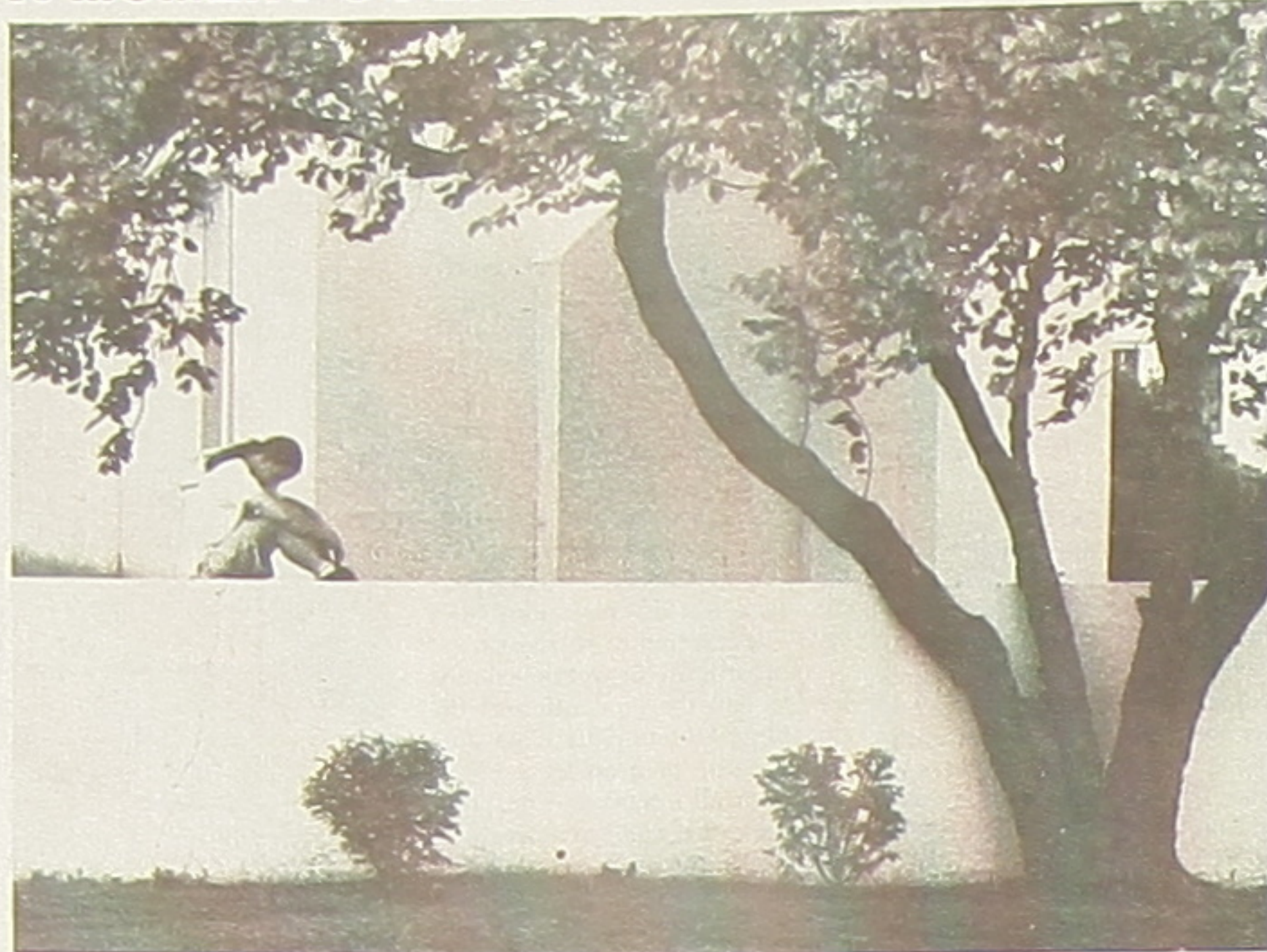
The membership dues and fund-raisers will supplement the lack of Student Senate funds. Peterson will serve as faculty adviser, but the club's reliance on community participation makes it ineligible for College funding.

Judy Bastian, lecturer in Spanish, will serve as co-sponsor. She will manage the club's activity schedule and the scholarship account.

Peterson will be the keynote speaker at tonight's meeting. He will present colored slides of field work done in July by Southern students and faculty in Salamanca, Spain. The slides depict numerous historical sites, religious centers, and other aspects of the culture.

Interested persons may contact Peterson or Bastian at Ext. 649 or 667.

A MOMENT'S PEACE



Eric Sweet, junior political science major, takes a break from classes to catch up on reading for his Latin class. Sweet took advantage of a quiet area near the Guest House to enjoy the mild weather.

WISE gets ready for Sante Fe

Students use trips to compare culture

By SCOTT ROSS
STAFF WRITER

World Issues for Study by Educators combines education with culture.

WISE, established during the summer of 1990, involves studying culture at home and abroad.

In November, the group will travel to Sante Fe, N.M., to work with Mexican-American and Pueblo and Anasazi Indian students in public schools.

"The purpose of the trip is to give us a chance to compare cultures other than our own," Vicki Wade, WISE president, said. "We hope to extend the trip into learning about culture in Sante Fe."

Club members will be in Sante Fe for five days, including two in the schools. The remaining time will be spent seeing culture in the city such as adobe houses.

Only student teachers who are ac-

tive in WISE are eligible to go on the trip.

The two faculty advisers for WISE are Vikki Spencer, assistant professor of education, and Dr. Rosanne Joyner, associate professor of education.

"The reason the club started was because she (Joyner) and other faculty advisers felt that students needed to be able to experience more culture and be able to feel culture's effects on society," Spencer said.

The group also tries to experience local culture. Saturday, WISE took part in three different events. The club visited the Fort Scott National Historic Site to see a re-enactment of the Mexican War.

"We tour the fort every December," Wade said. "That's where we hold our Christmas party."

After Fort Scott, the group went to the Nelson-Atkins Art Museum and then to the Kansas City Art Institute's Renaissance Festival.

Club to be 'support group' for students

Gaining knowledge about foreign lands main goal of group

By BENJIE DENNIS
STAFF WRITER

Although the International Club is for students, many would be surprised to learn the ratio of students to faculty.

There are two students for every five faculty members.

The International Club does have a variety of student members, including those with visa-passports and greencards, those born overseas, those with one or more foreign parents, those who have lived overseas for more than one semester, foreign language majors, and those inter-

ested in the military or international relations.

Ann Allman, counselor, has served as faculty sponsor for two years. Her interest came from living in Afghanistan for three and a half years.

The club has done some hunting for members with the start of the new semester.

"We have tried to find those international students and explain what our club is about," Allman said.

Knowledge about foreign lands and cultures is a goal of the club.

"We try to be a supportive group," Allman said. "We are out to learn about each other and explore the different cultures."

The club has had bake sales in the past, but is not sure what kind of fund-raisers it will undertake this year.

"We went to see the cultural experiences of that time," Wade said. "Everyone enjoyed it."

Beside these events, WISE will hold monthly meetings featuring guest speakers discussing cultural and world events.

The next speaker will be Dr. Jim Jackson, professor of biology, on Tuesday, Oct. 1. Jackson will bring an intern from England to speak about differences between the American and English school systems.

Currently the group is organizing scholarship opportunities for its members. WISE will offer two \$50 scholarships every fall for members to use on club activities.

Another scholarship is being formed for those interested in professional development. This aid, set for \$100, will be used for members to attend conferences or events to help them cultivate professional skills.

Persons interested in WISE may contact Spencer at 625-9622.

"We always have fun no matter what we do," Allman said. "Last year, the faculty had better recipes than many of the students."

The club has plans for a spring fling. It goes out and tries to engage in a traditional American pastime. "Sometimes we go bowling or play putt-putt golf," Allman said. "We just try to do something that the international students cannot do in their home country."

Even with the small group, everyone does something to benefit the International Club.

"Our club is usually a good, close one," Allman said. "We have a great team effort."

The International Club meets twice a month, on the first and third Thursdays, in Room 311 of the Billingsly Student Center.

Koinonia gains new members

By LESLIE KARR
STAFF WRITER

Koinonia, a Christian ministry, stresses more than just going to church on Sunday.

"It's a lot of fun, and the best in any Christian fellowship are Amy Stratton, Koinonia officer. "The Bible says the one way to life is through Jesus. That's what Koinonia teaches."

The group meets at 7 p.m. days at College Heights Church. Those attending participate in Bible study, singing songs, discussing different topical issues.

"Being in Koinonia helps you more disciplined in everyday actions and have a more open because in studying the Bible stresses a lot of caring and it's me to be more like that to people," Stratton said.

Koinonia is designed to be a denominational group.

"We want to provide a Christian atmosphere on campus," said Weaver, campus minister, "to any student who wants to join. Some faculty and staff have joined, but we are mostly students."

Koinonia plans several activities in addition to its Tuesday meetings. Sept. 27-30 a retreat will be held at Camp Maranatha in conjunction with Southwest Missouri State University and Pittsburg State University. The groups will discuss "Sermon on the Mount," hear speakers, and participate in activities as a volleyball tournament.

"We are excited to have the retreat," Weaver said. "It's everyone together and let the world know each other."

"It's designed to get the students fired up for the school year."

Other activities planned include a retreat in Denver and a Florida over spring break. Koinonia also plans to go to Mexico in November.

"Last spring break I went on a service trip to Florida with Koinonia," Robin Willoughby, Koinonia officer, said. "We painted for days then went to St. Augustine, Daytona Beach, and Orlando. It was a time to grow spiritually, get to know the people who live better, and have a great break."

Another area of satisfaction Koinonia members is membership. The roster stands at 140 and is expected to increase.

"Last year at this time the people we had at our meeting was 38," Stratton said. "This year goal was to have 75 in attendance. Last week, that goal was met with 86."

"We attribute this attendance to the fact that we have been about it, not because we're recruiting, but because God is working."

According to Weaver, 75 percent of the students who are Christians in high school give up on religion when they do not become active in Koinonia.

Koinonia began through College Heights Christian Church and was originally planned to be a Bible study group.



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"Rebecca:" An Alfred Hitchcock thriller; Presented by the Missouri Southern Film Society; 7:30 p.m. Tuesday; CSC; Season tickets: \$7 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students
Ariel: Russian pianist; Presented by CAB; 7:30 Thursday, Sept. 26; Tickets: \$2, free for students and staff

JOPLIN

Second Annual Country Music Extravaganza: With Robin Lee, Joe Diffie, Michael Johnson, and Diamond Rio; 7 p.m. Oct. 13; Memorial Hall
The 14th Annual Midwest Gathering of the Artists: The largest gathering of artists and art show in the Midwest; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. tomorrow through Sunday; Carthage

SPRINGFIELD

"A Chorus Line:" Presented by the Springfield Little Theatre; Through Sunday; Sanders Theatre; 869-1334 or 89-3869
"The Dreamer:" Weekends, tomorrow through Oct. 28; Painted Glass Theatre
The Gold Medal Winner: Saturday; Springfield Symphony
"The Ballad of the Bremen Band:" Presented by Springfield Regional Opera-Children's Opera; Today; Landivort Center; 869-1960
"Skyfest '91:" KXUS-FM, 95.7 brings this second annual hot air balloon festival to Springfield; Tomorrow through Sunday

TULSA

David Copperfield: 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. today; Brady Theatre; 918-582-7239
"Cats:" 8 p.m. today; Tulsa Performing Arts Center; 800-364-7111

KANSAS CITY

Michael Bolton: Time Love and Tenderness Tour; 8 p.m.; Tomorrow; Sandstone; 816-931-3330
"Grand Hotel:" A musical; Tuesday through Sept. 29; Midland Theatre
David Copperfield: 6 and 9 p.m. Saturday; 2 and 6 p.m. Sunday; Midland Theatre
Kenny Rogers: 7 p.m. Oct. 1; Kemper Arena; 816-931-3330
"King Lear:" Through Sunday; Missouri Repertory Theatre; 235-2700
The Spinners: 8 p.m. Saturday; Folly Theatre; 816-931-3330
Kansas City Symphony: 7 p.m. Sept. 29; Embassy Suites, KCI Hotel; 471-1100

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San Francisco Ballet: 8 p.m. Sept. 27; 2 and 8 p.m. Sept. 28; Dance St. Louis
The St. Louis Symphony Orchestra: 8 p.m. today; Riverboat Amphitheatre; 4-968-1800
Peter, Paul & Mary: 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 3 p.m. Sunday; Fox Theatre
Joe Walsh: 8 p.m. Oct. 2; American Theatre; Tickets: 9:50; 291-7600
George Strait: Oct. 12; Fox Theatre; 314-535-2900

Marching band set for game

By LORI CLEVENGER
STAFF WRITER

After 12 years of directing band at Missouri Southern, Pete Havelly says this year's group will be the best.

The Lion Pride Marching Band will perform through November, when concert band begins.

The band's debut is tomorrow night at El Dorado Springs High School's football game. Its second performance is Saturday night at Southern's home football game.

"We will be playing four tunes, with a trumpet solo from Jack Grant of Neosho," Havelly said.

The band has 98 members this year. Not only does it have more members than in years past, but, according to Havelly, more talent.

"The band is probably more talented than in the past with more musical skills," he said. "They also seem to be the most serious group we have had about what they are doing."

Robert Meeks, assistant band director, is pleased with the group as well.

"I can't think of one negative thing about the band this year," he said.

Meeks said the band has a completely different personality this year—"compatibility."

The color guard for the Lion Pride Marching Band is instructed by Heather Wallain, senior music major.

"She writes it all, she rehearses it all, she does it all, and she works many, many, many hours," Havelly said.

Wallain thinks the color guard will be good, but there still is much work to be done.

"Most everyone is pretty excited. We are getting new uniforms, so that helps a little with enthusiasm," she said.

Havelly said the band's organization is much improved this year.

"Things came together much faster this year than in the past; I mean days faster," he said.

According to Meeks, this has

LOUD AND CLEAR



Holly Lehar, senior music major, rehearses a trombone solo. The marching band debuts tomorrow at El Dorado Springs High School.

JOHN HACKER/The Chart

much to do with the hard work of Janice Meher, drum majorette.

"She holds the band together," Meeks said.

Meher said she is pleased with the overall sound of the band this year.

"The hardest part is during the game. I have to start songs off during timeouts, and I get really frustrated because I don't know much about football," Meher said.

Positive attitudes of band members have kept Meher encouraged, according to Havelly.

"It gets pretty hot out there in the heat during practice, but there is not

much clowning around," he said.

Havelly said the instrumentation is not hurting in any area and that the band is in good shape. Meeks suggested the need for a few more trombones.

"We could use more trombones, but the ones we have do such a good job that it is not really a severe problem," he said.

Other performances besides Southern home football games include the Carthage Maple Leaf parade and competition, the Southern Homecoming parade, and the Joplin Christmas parade.

Pianist to return for performance

Russian Ariel plays pop classics

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Russian pianist Ariel finds it hard to believe nearly two years have passed since his last visit to Missouri Southern.

"I remember my plane being late and the weather was bad," Ariel said. "Lori LeBahn (interim coordinator of student activities) picked me up and rushed me to the concert hall."

"I remember the hall and I remember the people. I am really, really looking forward to coming back."

Ariel will return to Southern for one performance at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26 in Taylor Auditorium. Admission is free for students and faculty with I.D.s and \$2 for everyone else.

The Campus Activities Board contracted the concert for \$3,500. According to Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities, response to Ariel's previous performance here was favorable.

"He was so popular the last time, we couldn't resist bringing him back," Carlisle said.

The concert will include his renditions of such classics as Led Zepplin's "Stairway to Heaven" and *The Phantom of the Opera*. He said while some songs are his trademarks, those who attended the November 1989 concert at Southern also will hear something new, including original compositions and a *Chicago* medley.

"I try to evolve as much as possible," Ariel said. "I am very selective—I don't play just to play. I only play pieces I find exquisite."

Ariel was enrolled in the National Children's School of Music at age five. The school board assigned him to play the violin, but he refused and stopped going to school. This upset his parents so he agreed to take piano lessons instead.

"It was not that I wanted to play piano—it was the lesser of two evils,"

Ariel said. "I was only five or six years old. I wanted to play soccer and chase dogs. The last thing I wanted to do was study music."

Loathe turned to love for Ariel as the piano soon became an important part of his life.

"It's the richest instrument there is," he said, "not only in depth, but in the range of sound. The piano is a very strong instrument, yet you can express so much sensitivity through it."

Ariel soon became somewhat restless with classical music, and was introduced to Western rock music on the black market.

"Classical was the only music we were allowed to listen to," he said. "When I was about 15 or 16 I got a hold of *The Beatles*' 'White Album,' and it blew me away. It was so different—it changed my life."

Ariel recently moved to Los Angeles, where he will be working on two projects, according to Toni Stewart, his personal manager.

"We are planning a major, major concert tour with Yamaha which is really exciting," Stewart said. "Also, while Ariel is not presently recording for a label, it might come together this summer."

In the meantime, Ariel has been touring colleges and universities across the nation. Most recently, he performed at the University of Notre Dame, where he received an unprecedented response. According to Stewart, it was the university's largest recorded turnout for a concert of this type. Students afterwards rushed up to Ariel screaming "awesome."

"I was absolutely amazed," Ariel said. "I never expected anything like this. I was flabbergasted."

He hopes Southern students will welcome him as well. One of Ariel's greatest pleasures is entertaining the skeptic.

"You tell them 'pianist,' and they say, 'Oh my God, I'd rather sleep,'" he said. "But if they give it a chance and ultimately appreciate it—that is where it's at."

Fields teams up with colleague for England tour

Museum tours, music and theatre events on agenda

By DAWN ADAMSON
STAFF WRITER

Rather than their usual destination of New York, some Missouri Southern students will be heading for England May 18.

Each year, Dr. Jay Fields, director of theatre, organizes a group to meet with Judith Tucker-Snyder, theatre professor from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside.

"Every spring break I go to New York with a friend who I worked with in Kentucky," Fields said. "When they (the College) moved

spring break, we couldn't do this."

The trip will be Fields' third to England. His first visit was 20 years ago with his wife, and two years ago he went with Southern's Oxford program.

"Even though I was there 20 years ago, I didn't get out to Stratford," he said. "The highlight of the second trip for me was to see the little town where Shakespeare was born."

Fields remembered that Stratford had become "a little commercial."

"Just down from Shakespeare's house there's a McDonald's," he said.

The two-week trip will be sponsored by Southern's theatre department and the office of continuing education.

"I think it's fantastic that we are able to do this kind of trip," said Dr. Jerry Williams, director of continuing education. "It brings two institutions together in a cooperative effort in putting a program on."

This "rousing, royal romp" through England is open to anyone, but preferably students, Fields said. The other group will take 25 people, leaving Southern with 15 slots, nine of which already have been filled.

Any openings at the end of October

will be filled by Tucker-Snyder.

The group will spend six nights in London, two in Cambridge, three in Stratford-Upon-Avon, and three in Bath. The University of Wisconsin has coordinated a fine arts tour that will include museums and a minimum of four music and theatre events. Careful planning has left free time for exploring.

Guided trips will include the British Museum, the National Gallery, the Tate Gallery, and others.

The group from Southern will leave Joplin on a school van to Kansas City. From there, it will fly to Chicago to meet the other group and fly directly to London.

The cost of the trip is \$1,995 for

double occupancy and \$2,295 for single occupancy. The price includes round-trip airfare, three-star hotels with bed and breakfast, ground transportation in England, a half-day introductory bus tour of England, art and theatre admission fees, and several sites. Travel accident insurance also is included in the cost.

"Anyone who has a theatre, arts, or English background would benefit from the trip," Fields said.

"A lot of older people cherish every day of learning. They take a greater joy in this kind of thing," Fields said. "It's really fun taking senior citizens because they love to learn and they appreciate the arts."

Germanfest to serve as KXMS fundraiser

Klassix Society plans German evening

By CRISTY SPENCER
STAFF WRITER

In an effort to raise funds for Missouri Southern's radio station, The Klassix Society will sponsor a "Germanfest" next week.

"It's going to be an evening of German music and dancing and German food," said Jeff Skibbe, KXMS general manager.

The Klassix Society, a community support organization, will present the event from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27 at the home of Larry and Virginia Hickey on Shoal-cliff, which overlooks Shoal Creek.

"We put it in a fund, then I draw from that for whatever I need," Skibbe said.

Jean Campbell, promotions director for KXMS, says that besides financial support, the Society also is hoping to make more of the community aware of the station's existence and availability.

"We want as much as possible for people to know that we have classical music 24 hours a day offered as a service from Missouri Southern State College," Campbell said.

Skibbe anticipates that up to 300 people will attend the fund-raiser. Campbell encourages anyone who

"It's going to be an evening of German music and dancing and German food."

—Jeff Skibbe, KXMS general manager

The festivities include ethnic food and German folk dancing, polkas, and waltzes. Entertainment for the evening's event will be *Die Freistatt Spieler*, a vocal and instrumental group. Food will be provided by Lincoln Boskamp.

Proceeds from the benefit will be used for various operating expenses at the station

can to attend the benefit and enjoy the entertainment as well as help out the station.

"It (donated money) is very helpful to do things we would like to do with the radio station."

Tickets are available for \$20 each through tomorrow by contacting Skibbe at 625-9678 or Campbell at 625-9668.

Film Festival to feature Hitchcock thriller

As the first program of its 30th anniversary season, the International Film Festival will begin with the Alfred Hitchcock thriller *Rebecca*.

Presented by the Missouri Southern Film Society, the work will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

Hitchcock's *Rebecca*, adapted from the famed novel by Daphne DuMaurier, has been called a classic example of his work.

The film centers on the bride (Joan Fontaine) of a Cornish landowner (Laurence Olivier), whose previous wife, Rebecca, died under

mysterious circumstances. When the new wife arrives at her husband's estate, she finds that the memory of Rebecca still dominates the life of everyone at the mansion. She feels unfavorably compared with Rebecca, and is nearly driven to suicide by a wicked governess (Judith Anderson), who insists that she will never be able to take Rebecca's place.

Rebecca is one of the few mystery-thrillers to win an Oscar for Best Picture. It was also rated as one of the "Ten Best of 1940" by the National Board of Review.

In his book *Hitchcock*, Francois Truffaut commented on *Rebecca*.

"One must say that 26 years after (the film's release), when one sees it again, it is very modern, very solid," Truffaut said.

David Spoto, author of *The Art of Alfred Hitchcock*, wrote: "*Rebecca* marked an auspicious American debut for Hitchcock... the light, appealing blondness of Miss Fontaine contrasted with the darkly glowering form of Miss Anderson, tell the story on a literal and metaphorical level."

Season tickets for the 10-program series are \$7 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students. Single admissions are \$1.50 and \$1.

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Blaze ravages battery plant

Damages high, casualties low

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Fire, early Monday morning, heavily damaged a building at the Eagle-Picher Industries complex at 1215 West C Street in Joplin.

Dollar estimates were unavailable yesterday, but according to Rex Erisman, vice president and general manager of the electronics division at Eagle-Picher, damage will run into the millions of dollars.

According to Steve Lea, district chief for the Joplin fire department, the fire started at approximately 12:30 a.m. Monday when an employee cleaned an area of the plant containing powdered lithium with an air-line.

"Lithium is volatile [when mixed] with water, and the air-line had condensation in it," Lea said. "When he sprayed the air on the lithium, the condensation activated it and it became violent [combustible]."

According to Erisman, approximately 10-20 people were in the building when the blaze began.

There were no injuries among Eagle-Picher employees, but two firemen sustained injuries.

"One man had a sprained knee, and another had a hyper-extended leg," Lea said.

According to Erisman, no hazardous chemicals were involved in the blaze.

"There were some chemicals used in day-to-day processing but nothing extremely hazardous," Erisman said.

Lea said it took four hours for firefighters to bring the blaze under control, and they spent all day Monday and Tuesday morning at the site watching for hot spots.

About 75 percent of the fire department's manpower was engaged

in dousing the blaze, according to Lea.

"We had 49 firemen, seven engine companies, two aerial apparatus, and one rescue truck on the scene," he said.

The fire department was able to limit the blaze to one building, but, according to Lea, damage to that building is severe.

"There were other buildings attached to this one and buildings very close, but we managed to keep the flame-spread contained," Lea said.

Erisman said the plant produces special-purpose batteries for military and aerospace applications.

Effects of the fire on production are being felt throughout the facility, but recovery efforts are underway, according to Erisman.

"We were shut down one day on Tuesday, but we've already put some of the lines back in production as of Wednesday," he said.

Efforts are now being made to salvage usable equipment from the fire-ravaged structure, Erisman said.

"The main equipment in the building was large, automated presses," he said. "There were also large dryers on top of the building that were not completely lost."

Erisman said more than 250 employees were affected by the shutdown, but about 60 of them were called back yesterday.

"There will be a slowdown here for some time until we get all the equipment back together," Erisman said. "Hopefully we'll get back up to 100 percent production in a month or so."

Lea said there were numerous complications in dealing with the blaze.

"The fire was so involved by the time we got there, we started having roof collapse," he said. "Probably about half the roof collapsed during the period we were there."

Lea said this was one of the most serious fires in Joplin this year.

FIERY WAKE-UP CALL



Firefighters battle a blaze at the Eagle-Picher plant early Monday morning. Two firefighters were slightly injured fighting the fire that shut down operations at the plant and put 250 people out of work for a day.

CHRIS COX/The Chart

10K walk to benefit hospital

By BRYAN MEARES
STAFF WRITER

The hospice center of St. John's Regional Medical Center will host the ninth annual "Walk for Hospice" next week.

The 10-kilometer walk will start with registration at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 28. The walk will begin at 9 a.m.

Walkers are taking donations to raise money for the terminal care unit. According to Jim Miller, hospice chaplain, proceeds will be donated to the hospice center.

"Every cent that we raise goes to patient care," Miller said.

St. John's hospice center is staffed by approximately 70 medical assistants and volunteers. It offers financial and spiritual assistance to terminally ill patients and their families.

"We care for the terminally ill, provide them with pain control, nursing and transportation," Miller said.

The center serves approximately 60 patients in a nine-county area covering Missouri, Oklahoma and Kansas.

Prizes will be awarded to individuals raising the most money. Prizes include a 26-inch color television, a reclining chair, a barbecue grill, a Nintendo Game Boy.

Door prizes and team prizes will be awarded. Teams must consist of three or more people.

Several Missouri Southern organizations are planning to participate. Chris Campbell, senior premed major and community service chairman for Kappa Alpha, said several members of his fraternity plan to contribute.

"It's a good cause that needs support. We're hoping for a good turnout," he said.

FLYING MUSEUM



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The Fairfax Ghost—Spirit of Kansas City, a World War II era B-25 bomber, is currently calling Joplin Regional Airport home. The plane appears in air shows and displays. James Zerkel, one of the plane's pilots, says he considers it "a museum of the World War II Air Force."

Historic Mitchell flies out of Joplin

B-25 based at Joplin Regional Airport while repairs are made

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Transportation is one thing, but flying a piece of history is quite another, according to B-25 pilot James Zerkel.

Zerkel, who flew a B-25 Mitchell training plane during his service in the United States Air Force during the 1950s, now owns a modern plane for transportation. But Zerkel also flies a B-25, currently located in Joplin, for fun.

"I like to fly most any airplane," he said. "I have a modern airplane—it depends on what I want to do."

"For nostalgia, airshows, and fun, I prefer this one (the B-25)."

Zerkel is one of the pilots of the plane, owned by the Kansas City War Birds Corporation. The plane is used for flying and display shows, but the costs of this activity can be overwhelming. Zerkel said it costs approximately \$700 to \$800 per hour of flight.

"The main item is gasoline," he said, "because it burns around 150 gallons per hour [of flight]. The maintenance is continual."

Last winter, Zerkel and one of the other pilots, Scott Kreutzer, brought the plane to Joplin to do repairs. Besides working on the engine, parts were needed. A pair of tires alone costs \$3,200.

According to Zerkel, finding parts for the plane is another reason its upkeep is so expensive. Many of the original parts no longer can be found and many parts are taken from other planes and modified to fit the B-25.

"Parts are scarce," Zerkel said. "It (the B-25 in Joplin) has never been totally rebuilt, but it has been refurbished a time or two."

Zerkel said he has heard of World War II pilots referring to ear problems related to the planes' noise volume, but he said most B-25s have been modified since 1945.

"They've corrected it from the original design to cut down noise,"

Zerkel said. "They've modified the exhaust."

Better headsets also help control noise volume for pilots. Another design change, not related to noise, is the carburetor. The reason for this change is because the old carburetors could not be found any more.

The B-25 Mitchell, used during World War II, had several different variations to accommodate the variety of tasks the airplane performed. Though the airplane was made famous at Doolittle's raid on Tokyo in 1942, Zerkel said the aircraft served well after the raid.

"It served the rest of the war and did an excellent job," he said. "It was used for bombing, ground support; that's why it has so many configurations."

The different models ranged from B-25-A to B-25-J. According to Zerkel, the purpose of a particular B-25 often can be found in its model.

The B-25 now at Joplin Regional

Airport is a B-25-J and would have been used for reconnaissance and photography purposes, but the plane never saw combat because it was completed only a few weeks before the war ended.

After the war, some of the B-25s were destroyed, but Zerkel said many of the planes were put in storage in Arizona. Later, some were sold to civilians.

Last year was the 50th anniversary of the B-25 bomber. There were 9,816 made, but Zerkel knows of only 31 B-25s still flying.

A local group, including Zerkel, is trying to buy the B-25 at the Joplin airport. The asking price is \$275,000. Despite this price, Zerkel believes flying the machine is like flying a piece of history.

"I have flown this same type of airplane for 40 years," he said. "I consider it a museum of the World War II Air Force."

"It's fun. Noisy and oily, but fun."

Gilpin leaves office

Convention bureau chief to assume GM position

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Suzanne Gilpin's resignation from the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce may be harder for those left behind than for Gilpin.

"She is one who has constantly worked to improve her community," said Gary Tonjes, Chamber president. "Those are people who you never want to say goodbye to."

Gilpin, who has been Chamber general manager since December 1989, will work her last day in Joplin tomorrow. She has been responsible for managing Chamber employees, heading up Joplin's Fall Fiesta, and handling volunteers.

"I think one would be hard pressed to find an individual who was so conscientious and as much as a team player as Suzanne," Tonjes said. "She has done a fantastic job."

Gilpin's resignation is a result of her husband's job transfer to Brownsville, Texas. She says the distance will not keep her from keeping in contact with her friends at the Chamber and in the community.

"This is my hometown," she said. "Our family is still here, so we will be coming back."

Gilpin has not decided what her plans will be after moving.

"I've never been a lady of leisure," she said. "I don't see myself doing that. I'm just going to take some time off."

Gilpin believes education is the key to her future no matter what she does.

"I'm giving consideration to working on my M.B.A.," she said. "The more education you have, the better your advantages are. There is no

such thing as too much education."

Gilpin spent eight years teaching language arts at Carl Junction, Mo., and McAlleigh high schools. She joined the Chamber in 1983 as assistant manager. She was promoted to vice president in 1987.

Gilpin graduated from the Institute for Organization Management at Southern Methodist University in 1989. The Institute helps chamber of commerce employees nationwide make their jobs more effectively.

"It's a real intensive training program," she said. "You get a chance to share ideas and see what works in certain communities."

Gilpin earned a bachelor of science degree in education from Missouri Southern. She is active in community organizations, including Soroptimists, the Joplin Little League, and the Cub Scouts.

Though Tonjes regrets Gilpin's resignation, he said Tracey Osborne, Gilpin's replacement, should be able to fill her shoes.

"She (Osborne) has a chance before her to step in for Suzanne," Tonjes said. "But I'm very confident Tracey has the same desire and enthusiasm to do what it takes."

Osborne, director of the Joplin Convention and Visitors Bureau, worked for more than two years at the Carthage Chamber of Commerce. She also worked in public relations at Valentine-Radio Kansas City while in college.

Tonjes said the general manager position requires dedication.

"The job really demands that someone invest all of their energy and talents in the job," he said. "Each person will never be a 9 to 5 job."

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car is to lock them up, preferably in the trunk," he said. "At least put them out of sight, and always lock your car."

The residence halls are another trouble spot for Southern security, Boyer said.

Another Sept. 9 report said a custodian saw a white male possibly breaking into Apt. C-6. A security officer found an outside window and screen broken, but the suspect left before he arrived.

Boyer said a number of factors make protecting the residence halls difficult.

"They are harder to protect because we only have one person on evenings and one person on mid-

night shift," he said. "We also have several considerations. We have safety of the buildings, and we want to make our rounds."

According to Boyer, security is to stay out of the residence halls. "We generally work with the assistants as much as possible unless we're asked to."

Protection of personal belongings is the responsibility of the student, Boyer said.

"The dorms and apartment ways have more than one person living in them," he said. "Each person should be schooled in locking doors at all times."

Volleyball team shares title

Lady Lions, 3-1, travel to CMSU for round-robin

By STACY CAMPBELL
STAFF WRITER

After a successful opening to the new season, the Lady Lions volleyball team travels to Central Missouri State University for an MIAA round-robin tournament this weekend.

Debbie Traywick, Southern coach, says this tournament is important to the team.

"This is a pivotal weekend for us because we don't have to play the CMSUs or UMSLs this weekend," she said. "This will give us more experience before we have to face the top teams."

Traywick does not think the competition will be easy, though.

"All five matches we must play our best to win," she said. "If we could go one game over .500 it would be good for us."

This tournament and the second MIAA round-robin Oct. 18-19 will determine seedings for the conference championships to be held at Southern Nov. 15-16.

Southern, 3-1, opens play at 1 p.m. tomorrow against Pittsburg State, then meets Washburn at 5 p.m. and Emporia State at 7 p.m. Saturday, the Lady Lions face Northwest Missouri State at noon and Northeast Missouri State at 4 p.m.

Traywick said she does not know much about the teams other than their performances against common opponents.

"Northwest is winless to this point, but Northeast was picked to finish third in the conference," she said.

The Lady Lions opened the season last weekend by sharing the championship of their own Pro-Am Athletics Invitational with Texas Woman's University and Central Oklahoma.

Southern opened the tournament Friday by defeating PSU 11-15, 15-2, and 15-8. Texas Woman's then fell to the Lady Lions 15-9, 11-15, 15-11, 8-15, and 16-14.

Traywick said the Texas victory was a big one for Southern.

"We beat the best team in the tournament in Texas Woman's," she said. "It was a big lift for us."

Saturday, Southern continued its success by defeating Southwest Baptist 13-15, 15-11, 15-10, and 15-7. The team's only defeat came at the hands of Central Oklahoma 9-15, 15-10, 10-15, and 12-15.

Traywick said that match could have been won.

"We would have liked to have beat UCO, but we let them get too far ahead and didn't get back in the game soon enough."

"We didn't make our adjustments soon enough," she said. "I think if we would have won the fourth game we could have won the match."

Traywick said the tournament was an overall success.

"A lot of good volleyball was played by all the teams," she said. "We played well on Friday, but not quite as well on Saturday and were still successful, which is good to see."

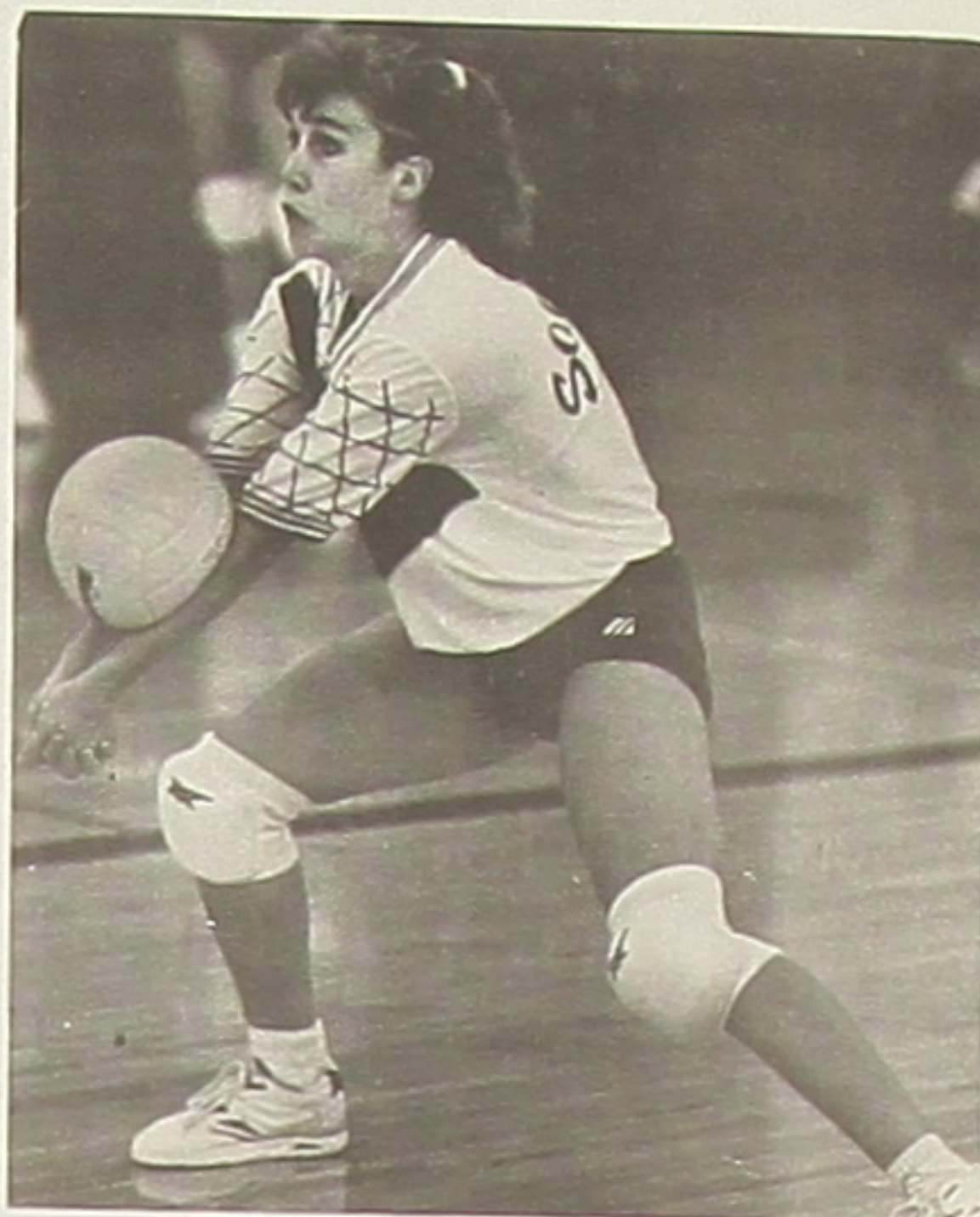
Traywick saw both good aspects of the team's performance, but noted one that needs improvement.

"Our kill percentage was better than last year, but we needed to block better. For as good a blocking team as we are, we did not block enough balls," she said.

Nico Cockrell stood out, according to Traywick, for her play.

"She played like a senior should play," she said. "But it was a total team effort. Everyone played well."

DIGGING IT OUT



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Stacy Harter, junior, fights to keep the ball alive, assisting her team to a first-place tie in the Lady Lion/Pro-Am Athletics Invitational.



CHAD HAYWORTH

Teams pull their share of weight

Too often, collegiate athletic departments are not held accountable for their actions or their spending.

However, at Missouri Southern I do not believe this to be true.

Because of the additional 3 percent cut in the College's budget, nearly every department is facing a loss in funding. My question: what, if at all, would the athletic department be forced to cut, and where would the cuts come from?

I set up an interview with Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, but I fully expected him to clam up when I nosed into his budget.

Not that Frazier personally has anything to hide, but it had been my experience that most ADs are very tight-lipped when their budgets are the conversation topic.

I was wrong.

Frazier spoke with me at great length about where the reductions would come, if they became necessary. He told me all 14 sports would continue at the College despite the loss of money.

He told me a good proportion of his budget was for coaches' salaries, not something easily cut in the middle of the year.

I can see it now. "Coach Lantz, we just can't afford you or your staff any more, so the football team will just have to run itself from here on in."

Right.

Lantz's football team, or any other athletic team, could no more run itself than could a quantum mechanics class teach itself whatever the heck a quantum mechanics course is supposed to cover.

I am now convinced Frazier is a shrewd negotiator.

Just look at the football team's jaunt to Oregon last week to face the Portland State Vikings.

Due to what I think are some pretty good negotiations, the Lions got the opportunity to blow a 15-point second-half lead and lose—at virtually no cost to Southern.

What a deal.

In fact, some road trips can even prove to be profitable.

Apparently, there are teams so hard up for schools crazy enough or desperate enough to play them that they actually pay teams to come and play.

Frazier told me a 1983 trip to Wichita State University netted the Lions a 29-21 victory over the Shockers, and enough money to buy the team new helmets.

He also took the team to Wichita State in 1981 for a \$15,000 guarantee, but that time the Lions were thrashed 38-6. Still, you can't fault Southern for seizing the opportunity to play an NCAA Division I opponent and get paid for it.

A similar trip to Southwest Missouri State University in 1988 resulted in a 56-12 loss, but allowed the football Lions to purchase new jerseys with the \$10,000 SMSU provided.

At least in those three instances, Southern came out with 1-2 record and a plethora of new equipment.

What a bargain.

Frazier told me because of the anticipated budget cuts, there would be no major equipment purchases this year.

If additional monies must be cut, he said, it would most likely come out of the travel budget.

Frazier did not expect to have to cancel road trips for any of Southern's teams, but some motel stays might have to be cut short.

This will be inconvenient for our teams, but riding home immediately after a game is better than not getting to play at all.

As a reporter, this was the first time I had ever been so well treated by an AD. Frazier took his time, and I believe answered my questions to the best of his knowledge.

It's about time.

FIGHTING FOR CONTROL



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Ray Sippel, sophomore, battles for the ball with a Columbia College player in Sunday's match-up.

Soccer Lions go 2-1

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

After a 2-1 week, Coach Scott Poertner sees his soccer Lions as an improved team over last year's squad.

"We did not have near the offensive talent that we have this year," he said. "[Sophomore forward] Chris Schacht has gained a year of experience, and I think he is more comfortable than he was."

Poertner said the team's weakness comes in making a smooth transition from a defensive mode into an offensive one.

"Overall, we are playing pretty well," he said. "But I think we are still not playing as good as we should be."

The Lions, 3-2, will host Avila College at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. Poertner believes the NAIA District 16 team could be a solid challenge.

"They were very good last year," he said. "We barely beat them."

"At one point, I think they were ranked third or fourth in the country."

On Monday, the Lions will travel to Tulsa to face Oral Roberts University at 3:30 p.m. Poertner said the Titans are an improving team.

"Oral Roberts is a lot better team than they have been in the past," he said. "I think they are finally getting some financial support for their program."

The Lions squeezed by perennial

NAIA powerhouse Southern Nazarene 5-4 last Friday.

"Nazarene was a good come-from-behind win for us," Poertner said. "We were down 4-1 with about 30 minutes left."

The win over Nazarene may have had an adverse effect on the Lions, Poertner said. Sunday, they fell to Columbia College 3-1.

"I think we were riding on a high after the Nazarene game," he said. "We came out and played like we were asleep. There is no way they should have beaten us."

The Lions rebounded Tuesday to defeat Kansas Newman College 3-0. Newman ended the game with only nine players on the field after being issued three red card disqualifications.

Southern scored all three goals in the second half.

"We should have beat them by more," Poertner said. "We just couldn't find the back of the net."

The victory was marred, however, by the loss of senior defenseman Kevin Hooks. Midway through the first half, Hooks collapsed in front of the Lions' bench.

"I was going back to defend my man," he said. "I stepped in a hole or something and rolled over it."

"I heard some cracking and it was all over."

Hooks said he has done some ligament damage to his right ankle, and doctors tell him he will be out at least four weeks.

Runners get hardware

Riddle finishes first in 8-kilometer

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

For the first time in Missouri Southern history, the cross country teams came home with trophies in both the men's and women's divisions.

According to Tom Rutledge, cross country coach, the men's team was second and the women's team third in Saturday's meet at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville.

The men finished behind a strong Southern Indiana team, Rutledge said. Twelve full teams made up the division.

"Southern Indiana will probably bid for the national championship [in NCAA Division II]," he said.

Rutledge said the Lady Lions also did well in their 13-team field.

"This is the first time [the women's team has] brought home a trophy, and it was against good competition," he said.

Rutledge said the SIU course was "intimidating" and the weather hot, but the Southern runners were not dismayed.

"A lot of people were afraid of the course but our kids attacked it, and therefore we had success," he said.

The course did cause some injuries. Freshman Rhonda Cooper sprained an ankle and sophomore Michelle Brown injured her foot.

"We're paying a price for the course this week," Rutledge said. "Because of the hills and poor footing a lot of our kids are hurting."

On the men's side, junior Jason Riddle finished first in his eight-kilometer race with a time of 27 minutes and 10 seconds.

"This was the toughest course

anybody could have run this past weekend," Rutledge said. "Jason ran against some of the best people in the United States."

Senior Brenda Booth had the best time for the women, finishing eighth with a 20:42 in the five-kilometer race.

"Brenda was one of our top runners, and she ran a very consistent and hard race," Rutledge said. "She's one of our captains, and she showed great leadership and determination."

Southern's Joe Wood, a junior, was 10th with a time of 28:21. Kern Sorrell, a junior, was 18th at 28:57; Jamie Nofsinger, a sophomore, was 25th at 29:31; Stacy Campbell, a freshman, was 29th at 29:41; and Allen Moss, a junior, was 46th at 30:42.

On the women's side, Renee Artherton, a freshman, finished 15th at 21:25. Stephanie Wigger, a freshman, was 23rd at 21:52; Cooper was 25th at 21:58; Brown was 35th at 23:00; and Emily Blackwell, a freshman, was 36th at 23:15.

Rutledge said the teams are looking forward to Saturday's Southern Stampede.

"This week we have probably one of the largest meets in the country," he said. "We have more than 20 colleges coming in and 11 high schools, both men and women."

Six NCAA Division I schools are expected to participate.

"What's unique about this is that Division I schools come here to compete," Rutledge said. "That shows that we're becoming a team people like to compete against because we give them good competition."

The meet starts at 9 a.m. Awards will be presented at 1:15 p.m.

'Hungry' Mules to test Southern

By RON FAUSS
STAFF WRITER

Central Missouri State will visit Hughes Stadium Saturday night to give the football Mules, 0-2, will be hungry for their first victory after suffering a 35-6 setback last week at the hands of I-AA Indiana State.

"This is their first legitimate opportunity to win this season," Lantz said. "CMSU will really challenge us physically, and they will come out and try to take it right at us."

The Lions appear confident going into the early season conference test against the Mules.

"They beat us on our own turf last year (20-19), but no one beats us on our own turf," said senior linebacker Cleon Burrell.

Burrell may play a key role in Southern's game plan, as Lantz said the Lions must establish a solid ground attack.

"How well we run the football is going to be the key," he said. "When we establish the run, we are able to throw the football well, and that sets up the offense a great deal."

Members of the Lions' defensive



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unit say they are ready for the CMSU challenge.

"They may be hungry, but we are starving," James Holdman, senior cornerback, said.

The Mules kept the ball on the ground 75 percent of the time last season, and they may run the ball even more this season, according to Terry Noland, their head coach.

The CMSU offense is led by quarterback Marcus Frazier, a junior college transfer who ran an option attack at Taft (Cal.) Junior College last season.

"We are worried about the athletic ability of Marcus Frazier," said Lantz.

The Lions will try to rebound from a 56-38 road loss at Portland State University Saturday. Southern held a 35-20 lead early in the second half before the Vikings roared back.

Southern amassed 557 yards of total offense and collected 22 first downs. Senior wide receiver Heath Helsel became the Lions' all-time leader in receiving yards during the

game. Helsel's 1,705 career yards eclipses the old mark of 1,676 yards held by Kerry Anders.

The big offensive hero, however, was junior wide receiver Rod Smith.

Smith caught eight passes for 174 yards and a touchdown, completed three passes to Helsel for 103 yards, and returned two punts for 11 yards. A 65-yard touchdown return was called back on a clipping penalty.

Smith became the second Southern player this season to win an MIAA award, as he was named offensive player of the week. Junior cornerback John Buchanan was the MIAA defensive player of the week last week.

"Rod is just now coming into his own," said Lantz. "Everyone talks about [Pittsburg State wide receiver] Ronnie West, and he is a great player in his own right, but I wouldn't trade him for Rod Smith because of all the things Rod can do for you."

Lantz is not the only one singing the praises of Smith.

"He's incredible," said Al Borges, offensive coordinator for Portland State. "He can run, jump, pass, return kicks; he can do it all. We knew he was great and that we had to stop him, and he still killed us."

Borges said the Portland State coaches were impressed by the Lions.

"Coach Lantz said they (the Lions) were a year away," he said. "I said, 'You're already there.'"

"Southern is definitely a playoff contender with a few breaks."



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